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New Brunswick, N.J.
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Re - Conditions around DeRussey's
Lane the night of the murder.

Elisha K. Soper of Stelton, N.J. stated to me
as follows.

On the night of the murder, September 14, 1922,
my wife and I had been attending an Eastern Star meet-
ing at Bound Brook and on our way home to Highland Park,
where I was then living, we drove down Easton Avenue
toward New Brunswick. I arrived on Easton Avenue at
De Russey's Lane about twelve midnight. At that time
I saw a big, old touring car standing on Easton Avenue
near the entrance to DeRussey's Lane. The car was
headed in the direction of Bound Brook. As I recall
it, there were no headlights on the car and, as I
came upon it, I could distinguish two men and a woman
in the machine, the reflection of my headlights shown
upon them. The woman had on a light colored coat,
whether it was gray or tan I can't say as I passed
at a speed of about 25 miles an hour. I was unable
to recognize anybody in the machine.

I was questioned about the matter a long time
ago and two months afterward Totten and David came to
my home one evening and said that they had learned
that the machine which I referred to belonged to a
barber at Bound Brook.

I have been to Somerville on three occasions and
told the same story there as I have at the present time.

Respectfully submitted,

David Thompson